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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 07 April 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Claim 17 has been amended without markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. Text of added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. Text of any deleted must be shown by strike-through. See CFR 37 1.121(c)(2).

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to GANDHI THIRUGNANAM whose telephone number is (571)270-3261. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th, 7:30am to 6pm, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Samir Ahmed can be reached on 571-272-7413. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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